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Report of the Fifth Committee

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1. At its 22nd and 23rd meetings, on 15 and 23 December 2016, the Fifth Committee, pursuant to rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, considered the statement submitted by the Secretary-General on the programme budget implications of draft resolution A/71/L.26 (A/C.5/71/16). At the 22nd meeting, the Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/71/686 and A/71/686/Corr.1). The draft decision submitted by the Chair following informal consultations coordinated by the representative of India (A/C.5/71/L.16, sect. E) was before the Committee (see para. 3).

2. The statements and comments made in the course of the Fifth Committee's consideration of this question are reflected in the relevant summary records.[1]

[1] A/C.5/71/SR.22 and A/C.5/71/SR.23.

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Decision of the Fifth Committee

3 The Fifth Committee, having considered the statement of programme budget implications submitted by the Secretary-General[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] decides to inform the General Assembly that the adoption of draft resolution A/71/L.26 would give rise to the following:

(a) Approval of two temporary posts, one Programme Officer (P-3) and one Programme Assistant (General Service (Other level)), under section 8, Legal affairs, of the programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017;

(b) An additional appropriation in the amount of 748,100 United States dollars for 2017, comprising 97,900 dollars under section 2, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management, 547,400 dollars under section 8, Legal affairs, and 102,800 dollars under section 29D, Office of Central Support Services, of the programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017, representing a charge against the contingency fund, together with an amount of 18,500 dollars under section 36, Staff assessment, to be offset by an equivalent amount under income section 1, Income from staff assessment.

[1] A/C.5/71/16.

[2] A/71/686 and A/71/686/Corr.1.